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SUBJECT: ISLAMIC FOREIGN MINISTERS CONFERENCE: ISRAEL ISSUE

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1. A MEMBER OF THE TURKISH DELEGATION INFORMED US THAT MORNING OF JULY 15 THAT HE BELIEVED THERE NOW NO REPEAT NO LIKELIHOOD THAT THE ISLAMIC FOREIGN MINISTERS CONFERENCE WOULD PASS A RESOLUTION RECOMMENDING THAT ISRAEL BE SUSPENDED FROM THE UNGA.

2. HE CONFIRMED THAT THE SYRIANS HAD BEEN PUSHING THE PROPOSAL WITH SOME FORCE AND CREDITS THE GEYPTIANS WITH QUITE STRONG AND EFFECTIVE OPPOSITION. THE EGYPTIAN OPPOSITION WAS BASED ON THE PREMISE THAT IF ISRAEL IS SUSPENDED FROM THE UNGA IT MIGHT NO LONGER CONSIDER ITSELF BOUND BY UN RESOLUTIONS WHICH THE ARABS COUNT ON TO FORM THE BASIS OF A MIDDLE EAST PEACE SETTLEMENT. SUSPENSION OF ISRAEL WOULD THUS WORK AGAINST THE ARABS OWN INTERESTS. THIS ARGUMENT HAS BEEN EFFECTIVE AND ACCEPTABLE BECAUSE IT DOESN'T PUT ITS ADVOCATES IN THE POSITION OF DEFENDING ISREAL.

3. ARAB LEAGUE SEC GEN MAHMUD RIAD IS QUOTED IN THE SAUDI PRESS JULY 15 AS SAYING THAT THE ARAB LEAGUE SUPPORTS THE MOVE TO OUST ISRAEL FROM THE UN AND HAS GIVEN ITS SUPPORT TO THE PLO RESOLUTION TO THIS EFFECT. THE ARAB LEAGUE'S GOAL IS TO ISOLATE ISRAEL AND AWAKEN WORLD PUBLIC OPINION. THE GOALS WILL BE PURSUED AT THE CONFERENCE IN KAMPALA AND AT THE NON-ALIGNED CONFERENCE IN LIMA. HE IS THEN QUOTED AS SAYING SOMEWHAT INCONSISTENTLY THAT THE UN SHOULD FORCE ISRAEL TO ABIDE BY ITS RESOLUTIONS AND SHOULD EMPLOY SANCTION AS SPECIFIED BY THE CHARTER. HE CONCLUDES SAYING THAT THE ARAB FOREIGN MINISTERS WILL MEET IN SEPTEMBER BEFORE THE UNGA TO MAKE THE FINAL DECISION ON THIS MATTER.

4. SYRIAN FONMIN KHADDAM DEPARTED JIDDA JULY 14 AND WE SUSPECT THE FORCE IS OUT OF THIS ISSUE AT THIS CONFERENCE.
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